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The undersigned takes this opportunity of informing the public that, having removed his Cabinet Shop to the room above the old stand, opposite the Bradford House of Mrs. Wilkes, he is prepared to sell Chairs of most every description and Furniture of most every kind, and keeps constantly on hand a large supply of all articles of

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Smethport, Feb. 4, 1875.

Song.

If you have never a thing to say,
Why do you come so near me?
Why do you smile at me in a way
To conquer a king? Dost hear me?
If you have never a thing to say,
Why do you come so near me?

If there is nothing you'd have me know,
Why do you press my hand
When, in a dream, we wander slow
Over the darkening land?
If there is nothing you'd have me know,
Why do you press my hand?

If you are wishing me out of your sight,
Why in my path do I meet you?
You are my trouble and you my delight!
In sweet confusion I greet you.
If you are wishing me out of your sight,
Why in my path do I meet you?

RALPH BENEDICT'S EYES.

"Take care! Flora, take care. You are playing with edged tools. You may offend Ralph forever."

"Offend him, indeed? Don't talk to me, Kate; I tell you he is perfectly hateful. I have flirted with him till my head aches; played with him, sung at him, romped on, been dignified, till my wits were fairly bothered how to create a new sensation; and yet the wretch sits staring at me as if his eyes were made for nothing but to see with."

"Well, what are his eyes made for?"

"Such eyes as his were made for a thousand things; great black ones, with such long, silky lashes! Why, he could make no end of a commotion in the feminine fancy with his eyes alone. What are they made for? They are made to say unutterable things, to look a million varying emotions, to raise with fervor, to cast down with modesty, to melt with feeling, or flash with pride. And, upon my word, I don't believe the man has the slightest idea that they were made for anything but the convenience of seeing. And to think that I am engaged to him!"

"I thought you could break the engagement."

"Yes, and lose every penny of my property and bring the whole family about my ears. No. Uncle George promised old Glenville to me, if we took it together; if not, it was to go to some distant relatives who live in Philadelphia. So, down comes my sharer of this world's goods, and, in a most matter-of-fact way, says: 'I think we had better be married in the fall, Flora.' And I, like an idiot, said 'very well.'"

"He is certainly very handsome, Flora!"

"Yes; so is uncle's bust of Napoleon. Looks like him, by the-way, and one has about as much animation as the other. The most provoking thing about him is, he will never do anything that is not strictly proper and dignified. I never saw him take a glass of water without a desire on my part to tip the whole of it down his neck, and see him jump. Though for that matter, he wouldn't jump if I did. I haven't done a harum-scarum thing since he came that he has not caught me in the act. I never scramble over a fence that he is not on the other side with a profound bow for my especial benefit, and as sure as I dare to climb a tree or undertake the least bit of a frolic, his most magnificent highness is the first object to meet my eyes. Kate, I wonder if I couldn't make him jealous? I mean to try. Harry Vane came home yesterday and is all ready to fall at my feet."

"Harry Vane is a brainless fop, Flora."

"He knows how to use his eyes, over-if-he is, and he is the best fun in the world."

"And would you actually flirt with Ralph!"

"I tell you I hate him!" and Flora dashed out of the room, leaving her invalid cousin and confidante aghast at her sudden outburst.

In the parlor the merry beauty found her betrothed, his large eyelids closed over the useless eyes, and apparently fast asleep.

"I wish I could play some joke and see if it would astonish him when he awoke," she said.

"Not in the least, if I know it beforehand," said Ralph, lazily opening his eyes.

"How dare you pretend to sleep!" cried Flora, indignantly. "I might have talked secrets."

"Then I should not have listened."

"Oh, of course not; nothing half so naughty could occur to you," she said, rather sneeringly.

"I trust nothing dishonorable could," was the quiet reply, though for a moment his cheek crimsoned with vexation.

"I ask your pardon, I did not mean to be so rude," said the frank little penitent, bobbing out her head.

He only bowed gracefully, and, snatching away the rejected hand, she threw herself down on the piano stool and dashed off her pique in a stormy polka. The polka went off into a dream-like waltz; and one of Beethoven's sonatas followed; till, as the room grew almost dark, the subduing influence became stronger, and, as the last note died away, she began to sing, not as he had heard her sing before, in dashing opera airs; her voice rose clear, but subdued, in sad melodies, old ballads, and those longing airs of "Auld Lang Syne," so seldom heard nowadays.

The tea-bell broke in upon the pleasure, and the light dining-room found Ralph as dignified and Flora as saucy as if no music had stirred their hearts into a new and strange communion.

Kate heard, day after day, with pain, of the marked coldness between Ralph and Flora, and of her increasing flirtation with Harry Vane.

At last the crash came.

"I am free!"

Flora threw back the door and rushed in, with burning cheeks and flashing eyes.

"I am free, Kate. My charming cousin came to me one hour ago and asked an interview—a private one—which I granted, of course. He informed me that when he graduated as a physician, with his heart full of the glory and responsibility of his profession, he had come here trusting to find a wife who would be his companion and true helpmate in the arduous life before him. He had hoped that my liveliness was merely youthful spirits, but finding me heartless and frivolous he preferred poverty to marriage with a flirt, and withdrew his claim to my hand."

"Oh, Flora! such a heart as you have thrown away. In the hours he has spent here trying to entertain me, I have learned much of the nobleness of his nature and of his love for you. He has so hoped that you would let your own generous nature show you the folly of your frivolous ways"—

"I have had one lecture, Kate, pray spare me a second. Ralph Benedict may seek somewhere else a wife as cold and censorious as himself."

"And you?"

"Oh!"—with a nervous laugh—"he has kindly indicated my future for me."

"Flora, you will not marry Harry Vane!"

"Such a brainless flirt. No! Though Ralph flattered me enough to think we are well mated. Ah! Ralph thinks to mortify me by his rejection; he shall see how gladly I accept my freedom." And Flora left the room as abruptly as she had entered it, to fly to her own chamber, lock the door, and indulge in a long and bitter fit of weeping.

That afternoon Ralph Benedict was riding and musing. With his own hand he had torn from his heart its one bright spot. In the few glimpses Flora had let him see of her generous heart, her many secret acts of charity, her tender care of her cousin, he had learned to love the bright little beauty, all the more that her vivacity so strongly contrasted with his own rather stern nature. His life was one of earnest aims and steady seeking for the highest ends of life. He had seen in his short time of practice such hard realities of life, such scenes of suffering, such calls upon his deepest feelings, that life had become to him one broad field for the exercise of usefulness and self-sacrifice.

His one dream of happiness he had broken that day, because he dared not trust the hopes of his life in the hands of a trifler. Yes, he loved her, loved her as such a nature as his loves the bright loveliness of a gay little beauty like Flora, and his heart ached sorely as he took his long, lonely ride. He had promised his uncle to finish his projected visit and remain some weeks longer, and he was nerving himself to think of his cousin as the wife of another, lost to him by his own act. As he drew his horse up at the stable door one of the servants came running to meet him.

"Oh, Dr. Benedict, I am so glad you have come! Miss Kate, sir, is very ill. Will you come to her quick!"

"What is it, Nora?"

"Oh, sir! one of those dreadful spells she used to have when she first hurt her spine."

The quick, firm step of Ralph was the first grateful sound Flora had heard since being called to her cousin's side. All embarrassment was forgotten as she sprang to meet him.

"Oh, Ralph, help me!"

"You have seen her in these attacks before," he said, gravely; "tell me what you did then, and how she has been taken now."

Clearly and concisely, while sitting at the bedside of the sufferer, Flora described former attacks and their treatment, and the probable cause of the present one.

Quick to decide and prompt to act, Ralph made Flora useful as nurse, while he tried his skill with loving zeal to ease the gentle girl before them. His uncle came in late in the afternoon, and, seeing how things were, refused to send for any other advice, and, then free to act, Ralph was busy, faithful, and untiring, yet his hand was not firmer, his step quicker, or his mind clearer than those of the pale yet steady little nurse. For three nights and days she never left the sick girl's side, and in the whispered talks beside her when asleep all levity was gone, all triding vanished. Sorrow and anxiety did what harshness or coldness could never have done—subdued the frivolity that was on the surface of Flora's nature, showing the devoted love, the quiet presence of mind, the unwearying capacity for self-sacrifice, that dwelt under the vivacity.

At last the danger was over, and after a fortnight of devoted watching Kate was pronounced convalescent, and her weary little nurse consented to leave her for a long afternoon sleep in her own room.

"If you please, sir," said Nora's scared face at Ralph's door, "Miss Flora has fainted away dead, sir."

"Where!" cried Ralph, starting up.

"In her room, sir. She is altogether worn out with nursing."

Worn out, indeed! Ralph thought, as he raised the little figure in his strong arms and looked into the pale, very pale face. It was only the reaction from fatigue and anxiety, and in a few moments Flora opened her eyes to see Ralph bending over her, his face full of tender, anxious love.

"Flora, poor child, you are worn out. I have been careless and selfish not to watch you more closely. Oh, Flora, can you ever forgive my impertinent harshness, and let me tell you how I respect as well as love you?"

"Ralph, I am a good-for-nothing flirt, but if you will trust such a torment once more she will try to be a wife worthy of you." And as Flora afterward declared, "the man actually began to find out what his magnificent eyes were made for."

Death from Hydrophobia.

The New Orleans papers record another sad death in that city from hydrophobia, the details of which so closely resemble the recent case of Mr. Jackson in Brooklyn as again to suggest the inquiry whether it was not, in a measure, the result of over anxiety rather than of actual disease. It seems that the victim—Mr. Harvey—owned a small terrier which was remarkable for its docile nature. The children were accustomed to play with the animal, and no signs of anger were ever shown until about ten weeks ago, when, while one of the children was playing with the dog, it turned around angrily and bit the child. After this it inflicted a severe scratch on Mrs. Harvey's hand with its claws. The dog then showed signs of rabies. When Mr. Harvey returned home his wife informed him of the dog's condition, and the fact that he had bitten the child, whereupon he went in search of the animal with the intention of killing it. In his endeavor to get it from its kennel the dog snapped at him, inflicting a bite upon Mr. Harvey's third finger of the right hand. Mr. Harvey sought the services of a physician, and the wound soon healed. The fear of hydrophobia continued to prey upon his mind, however; and finally, while eating his dinner the other day, he fell back in a terrible fit and was seized with a choking. His wife called in assistance and placed her unfortunate husband in bed, when he was thrown into one spasm after another, refusing to be fanned or to allow the slightest air to blow upon him. Water was offered to the suffering man, which he refused, throwing it away from him. Soon afterward his limbs were spasmodically contracted, his eyes assumed a wild glare and his condition was similar to one suffering from an attack of epilepsy. Nothing could be done to ease him, and after suffering the most frightful agonies he expired.

The Opium Eater.

The confirmed opium eater seldom lives beyond the age of forty, and may be recognized at a glance by his trembling steps and curved spine, his sunken, glassy eyes and sallow, withered features. The muscles, too, of his neck and fingers often become contracted. Yet incurring even this penalty will enable him to indulge his vice only for a certain length of time. Unlike the healthy enjoyment which we derive from our appetite of hunger, and which nature herself renews periodically, the enjoyment of the opium eater gradually diminishes as his system becomes habituated to the drug. From time to time he must increase the quantity which he takes, but at length no increase will produce any effect. Under these circumstances he has recourse to a dangerous expedient; he mixes a small quantity of corrosive sublimate with the opium, the influence of which is thus for a time renewed. Then these means also fail; when the victim must bear the miserable condition to which he is reduced, until probably, sooner or later, he sinks into the grave. On the excitable temperament of the Malays and Javanese, a strong dose of opium causes a state of frantic fury amounting almost to madness, and this often ends in that homicidal mania which has been called "running amuck;" in other words, in the individual attacking with his crease or dagger every one whom he meets, so that it becomes necessary to shoot him down with as little compunction as we do a mad dog. In Java, opium is not allowed to be sold except in adulterated form, the risk of these evil consequences being thus in some measure lessened.

A Case of Lynching.

Iowa, an agricultural State and peaceful, has two or three lynchings every month, some of which are so sensational as almost to challenge credibility. It is not so long since, in the State capital, Howard was taken from jail and hanged to a lamp post at the court house gate; but in that case the lynching was perpetrated at midnight and the vigilantes masked. But in the case of Smith, who was lynched at Ottumwa, there was not the slightest attempt at disguise or concealment. As the murderer, a notorious desperado, was being conducted from the court house to the jail after his examination, the mob—by no means a mob in the common acceptation of the term, since it contained a large part of the most respectable residents of the city—took him from his guards, hanged him to a lamp post at the door of the city hall, and left the corpse swinging there for twenty minutes, its distorted face in open view. And this between one and two of a June afternoon in a quiet city of 10,000 souls!

The Big Saratoga Trunks.

Jennie June gives the ladies a peep into the big Saratoga trunks that are now on their way to the summer resorts. For both the dignified matron of fifty and the stout buxom girl of twenty are provided fanciful hats with a wreath of flowers inside and another wreath outside, broad shepherdess hats of white manilla straw and combination costumes with pockets and sashes matched by parasols, gloves and all the details of attire. The only single costumes which are considered complete are all black silk or grenadines, and these continue to possess a certain prestige, notwithstanding the efforts to put color with them for out-door as well as in-door wear. The most fashionable toilets of grenadines, however, are mounted with silk as folds, as bows, as facing to the pockets, as sashes and the like. Not as plaiting, the silk being too heavy for this purpose, and not as effective as grenadine. But above the plaiting is sometimes another of black thread lace, especially at the sleeves and neck, and always an inside plaiting of white lace or crepe lisse, which harmonizes with the white chip hat, with its trimming of black silk, black lace and flowers and the black silk parasol, lined with white, but covered with black thread lace, and being silver mounted or having pearl inlaid in its ebony handle. There is an air of supreme elegance in these black costumes if the details are properly carried out, but jet is avoided as if it were contagion. Some charming toilets sent to Newport were combinations of pale pink and blue faille, with crepe de chine of the same shade. The crepe de chine was used more as a trimming than as a part of the dress, and was bordered deeply with soft, mossy, crimped fringe. There was no tablier or overskirt, but the skirt of one was crossed diagonally with scarf-like folds of crepe finished on the lower edge with fringe, and forming drapery at the back which was ornamented with lovely variegated roses. Upon the pink the fringe was lined with white Valenciennes lace, and white snowballs were used for ornaments. Toilets of white muslin, intended for the evening wear of young ladies, were a mass of delicate Marguerite plaitings. With each one was sent a high bodice of white or pale tinted faille, with square basques, buttoned at the back, for wear or not, but most useful in making variety. A very desirable addition to the wardrobe of a young lady who goes much into society is a white embroidered muslin. They do not cost a great deal and can be worn with or without a silk underdress. They consist of a skirt, which is trimmed with two flounces; of a tablier with wide sashes embroidered deeply and in a fine floral pattern upon the front and ends, and material with bands for trimming sleeves and bodice. These dresses require no lace and little ribbon finishing, and are invaluable for wear over an old or somewhat delicate pink silk.

Rum-Selling Under Difficulties.

For some time a warm conflict was going on in Westerville, Ohio, between the citizens of the village and one Henry H. Corbin, who recently opened a liquor saloon within the corporate limits. So far the war had been one of words; but one night some persons unknown placed gunpowder under the saloon building, and, by means of a fuse, the charge was fired about midnight, causing an explosion which demolished the doors and and windows, and raised the roof four inches. Upon Corbin's application, warrants were issued for the arrest of the preachers of the various churches of Westerville, the postmaster and four other citizens. The warrants charge the parties designated, and others who are unknown, with riotous conduct, in assaulting and encouraging an assault upon Corbin's saloon. Otterbien University is located in Westerville, and for many years no saloon has been allowed to exist in the town. The excitement of the people is very great, and both sides of the controversy seem determined not to surrender.

A Hearty Reception.

The American rifle team met with a most cordial reception in Belfast, Ireland. Mayor Lindsay and the corporation of the city were at the station to receive them as they stepped from the train and escorted them to the carriages. The crowd in and around the depot filled all available space. A procession was formed and the guests made a triumphal entry into the city. They passed through streets festooned with banners and packed on each side by crowds apparently comprising the entire population. The cheering was unceasing from the moment they left the station until they reached the Imperial Hotel. The enthusiasm of the populace was so great and the calls for the captain of the team so urgent that the mayor introduced Colonel Gildersleeve, who received round after round of applause. As soon as silence could be obtained Colonel Gildersleeve said:

"CITIZENS OF BELFAST—The gentlemen of the American team and their friends thank you most cordially for this enthusiastic welcome to your beautiful city. We recognize this reception as a compliment to our country, and are proud of the great honor you do it. Accept my earnest and sincere thanks in behalf of the team and the land they love to call home."

Here the cheering was tremendous.

An Ungallant Joke.

A St. Paul paper tells this story: She came from Detroit, Mich., and her great pride was being an invalid. She lost no opportunity in stating that she came to Minnesota to recuperate. She did not hesitate to enter into a conversation with any person she came in contact with giving advice—climatological or physiological—to invalids, and seeking the same from those of robust constitution. Her conversation was always prefaced with the introductory inquiry, so common to visitors: "Did you come here for your health?" She thus addressed a stalwart, ruddy visaged young man at the dinner table of the Metropolitan a few days since, and the following dialogue ensued:

"Yes, madam, I came here, probably the weakest person you ever saw. I had no use of my limbs, in fact, my bones were but little tougher than cartilages. I had no intelligent control of a single muscle, nor the use of a single faculty."

"Great heavens!" exclaimed the astonished auditor, "and you lived!"

"I did, sir, although I was devoid of sight, was absolutely toothless, unable to articulate a single word, and dependent upon others for everything, being completely deprived of all power to help myself. I commenced to gain immediately upon my arrival, and have scarcely experienced a sick day since, hence I can conscientiously recommend the climate."

"A wonderful case!" said the lady, "but do you think your lungs were affected?"

"They were probably sound, but possessed of so little vitality that but for the most careful nursing they must have ceased their functions."

"I hope you found kind friends, sir!"

"Indeed I did, madam; it is to them and the pure air of Minnesota that I owe my life. My father's family were with me, but unfortunately my mother was prostrated with a severe illness during the time of my greatest prostration."

"How sad! Pray, what was your diet and treatment?"

"My diet was the simplest possible, consisting only of milk, that being the only food my system would bear. As for treatment, I depended entirely upon the life-giving properties of Minnesota air, and took no medicine except an occasional light narcotic when very restless. My improvement dated from my arrival. My limbs soon became strong, my sight and voice came to me slowly, and a full set of teeth, regular and firm, appeared."

"Remarkable, miraculous! Surely, sir, you must have been greatly reduced in flesh?"

"Madam, I weighed but nine pounds. I was born in Minnesota. Good-day."

Tainted Meat.

Thirty-nine tons of meat were condemned as unfit for use in New York city during the year 1874; and it is probable that under the somewhat lax system of inspection which prevails this amount was but small compared with that which found its way from the stalls of the retailing butchers, principally to the poorer classes. While it is known that certain races of people habitually eat meat in a high state of putrefaction with impunity so far as immediate deleterious effects are concerned, it is well settled that the individuals are, as a rule, weak and possessed of slight power to resist disease. The weight of authority points to the fact that bad meat, no matter in what form consumed, is productive of illness, the mild symptoms of which are lassitude, headache, dullness, indigestion and loss of appetite, while severe attacks are characterized by vomiting and typhoidal indications. In a recent English health report it is asserted that, although it may be difficult to prove the fact by actual cases, there can be no doubt that unwholesome meat is one cause among many of the poverty of blood and intractable maladies of the poor, who flock to the dispensaries during the hot weather. Especially in summer is it a cause of diarrhœa, and instances are cited of both typhus and typhoid fevers being traced to its effects. In appearance, tainted meat is generally of a pinkish hue and more than ordinarily slippery to the touch, and the fat is very soft and yellow. In advanced stages the odor is disagreeably apparent. Shrinkage in cooking, often to the extent of twenty-five per cent., is also another indication. We have little doubt but that a large percentage of the bad meat sold in New York city is due to the filthy state of many of the slaughter houses.—*Scientific American.*

Divorced.

To be divorced evidently "runs in the family" in some quarters. How otherwise can any one account for a circumstance so notable as that in a case on trial in the marine court of New York! Every witness examined on one day, man or woman, had been divorced. There were five of them—all more or less nearly related to one another—and of various ages; fathers and sons and daughters, sisters, brothers, cousins; all married, and, though married, yet neither husbands nor wives, but divorced people. As they are all related if might be a fair inference that the same infirmities of temper ran round the circle and led to the same result in all these cases.

The Indiana census brings to light a matron who has nineteen children, with but seven birthdays among them.

Items of Interest.

Gen. Dakin, of the American team, is a heavy shot. He weighs 230.

Rev. Henry Morgan of Boston offers $200 for the best essay on "Why men don't go to church."

Duels hereafter will be legally punished in France by fine and imprisonment. The Parisian fancy stock ridicule the idea.

A victim of circumstances in Baton Rouge, La., is in prison because "while whipping his wife he accidentally broke her neck."

More than a thousand enterprising persons came to grief under the common delusion that they could edit newspapers in the United States last year.

Mrs. Lizzie Pettit Cutler declared in a recent lecture on "Flirts of Modern Society," that "it is always the noblest and best men who are ruined by the flirt."

It is proposed in Paris to place in all tobacco shops umbrellas to be hired out at a modest price, a small sum being required as a deposit until the umbrella is returned.

On opening a bale of cotton at the mill of one of the largest Liverpool spinners, the other day, much surprise was manifested at the discovery within it of a box of lucifer matches.

At Middletown, Del., an immense peach refrigerator is to be built, capable of holding 200,000 baskets of fruit, which the projector guarantees to keep by a peculiar freezing process for six months.

A reformed inebriate lately informed a New England audience that any one who will take an orange every morning half an hour before breakfast will be kept quite out o'range of alcoholic temptation.

The Paris *Financial Journal* is written up by five editors, who send their copy from their places of residence. In the number of June 19 the copy of each editor respectively was sent from a Paris prison.

From sundry localities come reports of the admirable way in which the new patent wire clothes lines serve as lightning conductors; conducting it horizontally into the neighboring houses in the most effective manner.

Recently the Italian Parliament passed a law for the suppression of brigandage. Upon hearing of this in Sicily the population organized indignation demonstrations, as people here do against prohibition laws. Brigandage is their most agreeable pastime.

A series of interesting experiments have been made at Toulon on board the iron-clad Marengo to work the rudder by steam power. By means of this invention one man can do in ten seconds what it required eight men to perform in a minute and a half under the former system.

Murdering the Sick People.

"During the incumbency of Sir Cecil Beadon, the *Friend of India* says, an attempt was made to regulate the practice of taking sick people to the river side to die; but nothing was done then, as the government of India did not consider any interference in this matter necessary, although the more advanced section of the native community threw their opinion into the scale with the lieutenant governor. That some regulations are absolutely necessary will be seen from these facts: About five o'clock in the afternoon, a procession was observed passing through a station not far from Calcutta, accompanied by the usual din and noise. At the head of the procession was a man about six feet high carried on a litter four feet long, in much the same way as the bed of Procrustes in the olden time was made to accommodate its victims of any stature. At first the occupant of the stretcher was taken for a corpse, but on closer examination it was discovered to be a human being in the last stage of physical prostration. The head was dangling over one end of the stretcher, and the face exposed to the full glare of the sun, which the dying man attempted to keep off by shading it with his right hand. This was observed by his son in the crowd, who opened an umbrella and held it over him. The procession stopped at a ghat opposite the station public library, and the stretcher with its ghastly burden was laid on the ground. The sick man expressed a wish for something to drink, and a cup of milk was held to his lips; he then had a smoke and conversed freely in the meanwhile with his friends who had followed him. A miserable-looking and shabbily-attired native, who was addressed as the Koberaj Mohashai, held the pulse of the sick man with a gravity of circumstance worthy of a disciple of Galen. To cut the matter short, the sick man was kept at the ghat till the Saturday following, and as he still continued to disappoint his friends and relatives in their expectation of seeing him depart this life, he was removed to another ghat a little higher up the river, where he was kept for a time immersed in water, with the head and a portion of the chest above it, till he expired in this position. The deceased was a man of the weaver caste and of some prospects. He had removed to this station some years back from Dead, where a portion of his family are still living. Another ghat murder took place about two or three weeks ago. In this case the victim was a woman, the wife of a respectable shopkeeper.

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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

FOR GOVERNOR,
JOHN F. HARTRANFT,
of Montgomery county.

FOR STATE TREASURER,
HENRY HAWLE,
of Erie county.

THAT REPORT.

The members of the Democratic Smelting Committee appointed by the House last Winter to manufacture political capital for the next campaign, by rooting out some sort of defalcation in the State Treasury Department, has made a preliminary report. The Democratic heart must be fired. Democratic newspapers must therefore have something to howl about. And for the express purpose of manufacturing ammunition this smelting committee was appointed. They have found their position a very laborious one, for the simple reason that the good Lord does not endow even Democratic members of Legislature with creative powers. Yet in the face of the fact that the central organ of Democracy, the Harrisburg *Patriot*, and that high-minded Legislative lobbyist whom the Democracy now accept as an oracle, Col. A. K. McClure, both scout the idea of an investigation and assert that there has not been the slightest defalcation in the Treasury Department for years, this committee is faithful to its senseless and dishonorable mission, and have made a report.

The report opens with an attack upon the State Treasurer because he followed an established Democratic precedent in refusing to recognize these gentlemen as a Legislative committee, although offering them every facility as individual members of the Legislature. In 1871 a similar committee was appointed by one branch of the Legislature. State Treasurer Irwin refused to recognize their authority, and his position was sustained by a Democratic Senate, with Senator Wallace as Speaker. It seems to make all the difference in the world with these gentlemen whose ox is being gored. What was all right for Democratic Irwin is very shocking for Republican Mackey. The fact that there has been an unexpended balance in the Sinking Fund is about the only thing these astute partisans seem to have been able to discover, and that fact has been published in the newspapers every month for years past. They have not been able to discover the evidence of any fraud, but were too unfair to say so plainly, but must do it accompanied with an insinuation unworthy men appointed to make a "judicial investigation." When they say: "If, as is alleged, it is were perpetrated, no monuments have been erected to mark their existence or aid in their discovery" they discover their extreme mortification in not being able to give to the public in the shape of facts that which they have been so free to charge in their papers and the speeches of their orators. They detected no frauds. It was an easy matter to have said so, had they been enabled to be honest. But they are not content with this, and in the effort to make it stronger they accompany it with a threat: "But the committee desire to make the investigation thorough, and to lay naked every fact that has in it the taint of corruption or dishonesty." And they follow this with an advertisement for witnesses to come forward voluntarily and help them out of their ridiculous dilemma. "To this end they invoke the aid of any and all who can name a witness that should be called, or a transaction which should be investigated." They will advertise in vain. As was predicted by the *Patriot* and by McClure nothing has come from the investigation of the committee.

The Democratic party, in all the Southern States (notably in Texas,) directs its first and main efforts to the destruction of the common schools; hence the conclusion which the Catholic hierarchy have arrived at, that the surest way to break up the common school system at the North is to get and keep control of the Democratic party. The conclusion, we are free to confess, is a [illegible] to their acuteness and dis-

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The New York *World* says that a Democrat hates fraud, peculation and corruption as the devil hates holy water. The hate, then, of his Satanic Majesty for holy water cannot be very deep. If his aversion to that fluid is no greater than that shown by many Democrats in office to corrupt practices, he can bear to be sprinkled with it every day. Let us see:

Two Democratic Councilmen of Baltimore expelled for accepting bribes of $50 and $100. And their plea was that, although guilty, they were but pursuing the common practice of Councilmen in that Democratic city!

Eight Democratic officials in Cincinnati indicted for fraud and corrupt management of the City Water Works, and the Mayor implicated in borrowing the city funds to pay the expenses of his election!

Three or more Democratic members of the Ohio Legislature exposed is selling their votes upon certain pending bills for one hundred dollars apiece!

The Democratic State Treasurer of Georgia a defaulter in a sum nearly approaching a million!

Eight Democratic county Treasurers in Ohio proved to be defaulters in large amounts! And Tweed in jail unable to find bail in suits against him for stealing six millions from the city of New York, with the *World* defending him while the stealing process was going on!

Democratic Canal Superintendent McKe indicted in New York for corruption in office!

The whole canal system of New York under Democratic control, denounced by Gov. Tilden as rotten to the core, tainted all over with fraud, and the center of a complete system of stealing hundreds of thousands from the State annually!

A fraudulent claim of $72,000 in which a Democratic member of the New York House of Representatives was interested, was pointed out by Gov. Tilden in his message upon canal frauds, as an item in the appropriation bill to pay this fraudulent claim was signed and approved by Governor Tilden who at first denounced it!

Truly, the hatred of this party to fraud peculation and corruption rises into that region of the sublime which shades off into the ridiculous. Pittsburgh *Commercial*.

The *North American*, of Philadelphia, makes a vigorous attack on the Democratic party, in response to the slur that the Republicans have only one virtue,—that of having managed the finances of the State well, and that the Democratic party is to be the "reformer" of our politics. It says that "when the Republican party came into existence it found the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth so rigidly partisan that none but hide bound pro-slavery and State-rights Democrats were allowed to obtained seats on that bench. The most eminent lawyer in Pennsylvania, Wm. M. Meredith, who had been Secretary of the Treasury, and was afterward Attorney General of the State and President of the Constitutional Convention, was refused a seat on that bench for no other reason than because he was a Whig, a national man and opposed to slavery." Also that "during the entire domination of the Democrats in Pennsylvania the Canal Board was a nest of the foulest, most wide-spread, reckless and disgraceful corruption, both in the waste and embezzlement of the public funds, and in the astounding frauds in the elections, that any free State ever was a victim to. It was this Board that saddled the State with a debt of forty-two millions of dollars at a time when the population was not more than half what it is now." Still further: "Under the old Democratic regime Pennsylvania suffered all the evils of slavery without any of its chance profit." As against this, it urges several reforms accomplished by the Republicans,—the breaking up of the Canal Ring, the enactment of a free railroad law, and other matters. "But the crowning glory of the Republican regime was the complete extirpation of special legislation. Every Whig Governor has vehemently denounced this monstrous evil. A special amendment to the Constitution, providing for general laws on various subjects, was adopted under Republican auspices, and finally a Republican Legislature passed and a Republican Governor approved an act calling a Constitutional Convention, which has made complete and wonderful reforms[illegible] the Constitution, so that special legislation is cut up root and branch. The new Constitution was formed by Republicans, and submitted by the party at the polls.

South Carolina, a State under Republican control, paid the interest on her State debt in New York on July 1st; Virginia, under the Democratic control, will fail to pay, as she has done for years. Yet Virginia is the richest State of the two, and the best able to pay. The attention of the Democrats, who rail continually about the ruin brought upon South Carolina by her Republican government, is respectfully directed to this fact.

Wmm greenbacks were a necessity and the only alternative of the Government in time of war the Democracy would have none of it, but now that the necessity has passed away, and a time fixed for the resumption of specie payments, these same men are found resolving in favor of an increase of this formerly detested rag money.

We have examined carefully the pages of the Democratic organs of this State, and we can find therein no arguments applied to the conduct of affairs by the State government, no statement of a policy to be opposed or advocated, no demonstration of abuses to be corrected. It amounts, then, to this: that here is a powerful party whose gaze is so fixed on the local affairs of the city of Philadelphia and the proceedings of the National Government that it appears to ignore the business of this Commonwealth entirely, and to have no policy thereon that any intelligent man can recognize or discuss. Governor Hartranft's administration has been in no sense a negative one. Questions of importance have arisen to demand his notice and they have been manfully met. He is renominated by his party and both he and his friends invite a scrutiny of his record; but no Democrat or Liberal accepts the challenge. He is a Republican and sustains the principles of his party, but, there, too, the Democratic party abstains from discussion. It simply asserts that the Republicans have fulfilled their mission, and in so saying the Democratic party accepts finally the principles of the Republicans.—Philadelphia *North American*.

After sentence was passed upon the Clearfield miners by Judge Orvis, one of the condemned men said to Senator Wallace—"you will want us fellows to vote for you some day" to which the Senator retorted "you can do just as you please."

As the prisoners passed out of the Court House in charge of the Sheriff accompanied by those who were not sentenced, they declared that the Clearfield ring "had gone back on them and failed to fulfill their promises made during election times when they wanted votes."

Thurman, when he ran for Governor, received 240,000 votes and was beaten Allen received 214,000 votes and was elected. This is the way the Democrats have gained in Ohio. Allen, with his rag-money appendage and his disposition to dodge, is not so strong now as he was in 1873.—Cincinnati *Gazette*.

PATTERSON.

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Having established a Jewelry store in the Mercer Building would solicit the patronage of the public. All kinds of work done in the best style and at reasonable prices.
May 12, 1875.

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DEALER IN
DRY GOODS & GROCERIES, HATS, CAPS, BOOTS & SHOES.
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Motto—*Quick Sales, Small Profits*
Store opposite Baptist Church, Smethport, Pa. Patronage is respectfully solicited.

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Kane & Lafayette St. R'd.

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BIDS are invited for grubbing about 6 miles upon the line of the Kane and Lafayette State Road, between the Big Level State Road and the crossing of Kemma creek. Along 10,000 feet of the line the grubbing must be done twenty feet in width; along the rest of the line generally twelve feet. Trees must be cut down and removed for a width of twenty feet along the whole line. The entire work must be completed on or before the 15th of October next. Will be let for cash in separate jobs of nearly one mile each. Responsible sureties must be given for faithful performance of contract according to specification. A commissioner will go over the ground to show it to bidders on Tuesday, July the 11th inst; leaving Lafayette at 9 A. M.

Address in writing
JAMES HOOP, Lafayette,
A. ANDERSON, "
THOMAS L. KANE, Kane,
July 1, 1875—3-3t. Commissioners

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RHODES & SON,
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In addition to our large assortment of
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we have a large and well selected stock of
Coffins & Caskets
as can be found in the county. Also a first class
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always in readiness for use, on short notice. Charges reasonable, according to the times.
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TERRACE, NEAR MAIN ST.,
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D. Bonney & Son,
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AN IMMENSE STOCK OF
SPRING GOODS
Now Ready for Distribution.

Our Spring purchases are simply immense, consisting of Staple and Fancy goods, many job lots, that will be sold at less than regular jobbing prices. Many staple goods have for the first time reached before the war prices. Our large and varied stock of Dress Goods comprises everything new and novel in all the varieties made and imported. Our stock of shawls includes many new and novel styles. Drap de Tay, Cashmere, &c., for Sacques, with an endless variety of Reeded Fringes and Passamentaries to trim. New styles of Waterproofs. Gloves and hosiery in every variety. Hamburg Edgings and Insertings. Cotton Thread, Guipure and Honiton Laces. Ten Thousand yards 4-4 Bleached Muslin, from 10c. up. Marseilles and Jaguard Quilt, Linen Damasks, in all colors, with Towels and Napkins to match. Hand made Shoes and Boots, for men, women and children, all warranted. Hats and Caps, every new style. Cloths and Cassimeres, made to order, and fits guaranteed. Beautiful line of CARPETS, Tapestries, Ingrains, &c. Wall and Window papers, Oil Shades, Lace and Damask Curtains and fixtures. Don't fail to come to T, at from 30c. to $1.00 per lb.

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AT
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Having thoroughly refitted and repaired the store formerly occupied by Geo L. Sheldon, I am now prepared to offer one of the finest stock of goods in the county, at the LOWEST CASH PRICES.
My Stock of
DRY GOODS,
NOTIONS,
HATS & CAPS,
BOOTS & SHOES.
CLOTHING,
HARDWARE,
DYE STUFFS &c.
IN COMPLETE.
I ALSO HAVE A FINE STOCK OF
MILLINERY GOODS,
and in fact every thing kept in a country store. My motto is
Quick Sales, Small Profits, and Ready Pay.
Call and examine my stock before purchasing elsewhere.
D. C. Young.
Larrabees, June 2, 1875.

LOOK!
NEW GOODS at A. N. TAYLOR'S!
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Having just returned from the Eastern cities, where I have purchased FOR CASH (no largest stock of goods of every description ever offered for sale in this county, and having purchased my goods at very much below their value, purpose dividing the profits with my customers. Always giving the best the market affords in Seasonable Dress Goods of the newest designs and of the best quality, at as low prices as can be found in Northern Pennsylvania.
WHITE GOODS FOR LADIES AND CHILDREN'S WEAR,
in new styles, of choice quality, and at low prices.
EMBROIDERIES OF EVERY NAME AND STYLE.
PRINTS Too numerous to mention, Warranted fast colors, 5c 8c per yd.
Bleached Muslin, good yd. wide - - - 10c per yd.
16-Bone Corsets, for .75 - | 200 reversible shawls, at $2
LADIES SUITS—MADE TO ORDER.
MOURNING GOODS IN ENDLESS VARIETY:
AUSTRALIAN CREPES, BLACK ALPACAS, COBERGS, TAMISE & BIRETES CLOTHS, FINE BLACK, BROWN, BLUE & SLATE ALPACAS AT 2 SHILLINGS.
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Our Notion Department
is full to overflowing, as well as all others, which can readily be seen by taking a peep inside. Our
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is full, including all the novelties of the season. We have All Wool, warranted
GENTLEMEN'S SUITS, FOR $8 50. GENTS FURNISHING GOODS in every variety and style. Also the largest stock of HATS and CAPS in McKEAN COUNTY.
An immense stock of
BOOTS, SHOES, GROCERIES, CROCKERY, QUEENSWARE, TRUNKS, VALISES, DRUGS, MEDICINES, WILLOW WARE, CHROMO & OIL PAINTINGS, LADIES' HAND BASKETS, HATS, BONNETS, TRIMMINGS, FLOWERS, &c.
HARDWARE,
Including Nails, Iron, French, German, English and American Cutlery, saws, Oils, Paints, Farming Tools, Fishing Tackling. Nails $4 per 100 pounds.
Canned and Dried Fruits, Flour, Pork, Hams, Lard, Trout, White Fish Mackerel, besides many articles too numerous to mention, all of which will be sold at the lowest rates.
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CAN BE FOUND THE BEST AND MOST COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF DRUGS AND Medicines, and all other articles usually kept in first a class drugstore.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, PATENT MEDICINES,
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Oranges, Lemons, Nuts, and General Fruits.
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Are now receiving the largest and most complete assortment of FASHIONABLE CLOTHING which we offer to sell as low as any house in Buffalo. Our stock is the largest in this section.
Boy's and Children's Clothing a Specialty.
We are offering good, all wool, men's suits for $9 00 It will pay you to come and see us. M. LEVY & BRO.
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At M. L. Armstrong's.
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A full line of Jewelry constantly on hand, including
Ladies' Gold Sets, Rings, Bracelets, Charms, etc.
REPAIRING
of watches, clocks and jewelry a specialty. Give him a call

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THURSDAY, JULY 22, 1875.

Local and Miscellaneous.

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TIME TABLE.

On and after July 16, 1875, trains will run on this road as follows, until further notice.

Going North.

No. 3.—Leaves Clermont 1 45 P M, stopping at Wernwag 1.55, Hamlin 2.12, Collegrove 2 20, Smethport 2.35, Farmers Valley 3 15, Fribbees 3.31, arriving at Larrabee 3 55, P M.

No. 11—Leaves Hamlin 7 40, Collegrove 8 00, Crosby 8 15, Smethport 8 20, Farmers Valley 8 40, Fribbees 8 50, arriving at Larrabee 9.05, P. M.

Going South.

No. 2—Leaves Larrabee 10.25 A. M., stopping at Fribbees 11.36, Farmers Valley 11 56, Smethport 12.02, Crosby 12.15, Collegrove 12.25, Hamlin 12.38, Wernwag 12.45 arriving at Clermont 12.45 P. M.

No. 10.—Leaves Larrabee at 6 30 P. M., stopping at Fribbees 6 45, at Farmers Valley 6.54, Smethport 7.06, Crosby, 7.24, Collegrove 7.30, Hamlin 7.35 P. M.

S. V. Goodsell, Supt.

BUFFALO, NEW YORK & PHILA. Ry.
Going South.

STATIONS.	Mail.	Accom.	Express.
Buffalo	7 30 a m	3 30 a m	5.00 p m
Olean	10 25	5 50 p m	8 15
Kinzua	11.13	6.32	8.55
Larabees	11.30	6.47	9.08
Ft Allegany	11.43	6.00	9.25
Angelica	12.40		10.15

Going North.

STATIONS.	Express.	Mail.	Accom.
Angelica	3.30 a m	2.15 p m	
Ft Allegany	4.35	3.15	8.35 a m
Larabees	4 00	3.40	9 25
Kinzua	5 08	3 40	9.50
Olean	5 40	4.25	7.50
Buffalo	9 00	7 50	3.10 p m

M. L. LYMAN, Gen'l Pass. Agent.
J. D. FREEMAN, Supt.

Smethport & Kane Stage Route.

Leave Smethport Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 7 a. m., arriving at Kane at 5 p m.

Leave Kane Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturday at 7 a. m., arriving at Smethport at 5 p. m.

Stage leaving Smethport connects with train going east and west on P & E. road.

E V. Chadwick, Prop'r.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

— The last stone of the old jail has been removed.

— Copies of the Miner can be obtained at the office as they are issued, at Patterson's new store-room.

— A pleasant dance was gotten up at Bellman's House on Tuesday evening. Those who attended report a pleasant time.

We understand that J. Condie will have the contract of building the road from Kinzua Railroad through the coal bank to Bullis'. It will be four miles long, and will cost $40,000.

Smethport has thirty dollars in gold and silver and twenty dollars in currency in circulation during the month, making over one dollar in all. Well! take a dollar.

From the evidence of some of the residents of Port Allegany we should judge that the operation of the new license law has not worked much of a temperance reform in that place.

— We are grieved to learn that Mr. Hawley Wilcox, of Sugar Run in this county, killed a rattlesnake, the latter was nine and ten inches in length and about four inches in circumference.

— Liberal Scotchman has engaged a competent assistant and one need not run with an hour before he is "next" for a shave. The steady increase of business made an increase of force a necessity which we hope will continue.

— We fear that some of our subscribers are forgetting that they can save considerable by paying for their paper in advance. We cannot make this deduction when payment is made after it has been due over three months, in any case.

— Harrison Allen has left Warren, Pa. for Denver City, Colorado, to enter upon his duties as President of the Colorado Mining and Land Company. Mr. Allen has thousands of personal friends in Pennsylvania, who wish him unlimited success.

— That was a sharp reply of Mrs. Beecher, the other day, when she answered some questions as to how she had managed to endure all the anxieties and fatigues of the trial, in this way: "To be mad all through is a good tonic." Beecher himself couldn't have improved on that.

— A new machine for pressing coal coke into fuel has been put into operation at the Harrisburg, Pa., machine shops, and a ton of solid coal was made in seven minutes. The machine is simple and universally practicable, and it is emphasized that it will add millions of dollars to the coal wealth of Pennsylvania.

— It is proposed that the citizens of Smethport furnish the depot with a good clock-maker. The railroad company has done well by us in giving us a depot that is the pride of our citizens and the envy of our neighbors, and it is quite proper that we should show our appreciation of their generosity. The suggestion paper is at the postoffice, and we trust it will not need to go begging long.

— Sam Carey used to say that the only right democrats have was the right to be hung. How these old expressions of Samuel must fire the average Ohio democratic heart!

— The Tribune says Gratz Brown is profoundly and phenomenally ignorant of the financial question; yet, if our memory does not deceive us, the same paper supported this financial ignoramus for the Vice Presidency in 1871.

— The Phillipsburg, Pa., Journal is creditably informed that hemlock timber is offered in Philadelphia at seven dollars per thousand, without finding purchasers, and oak lumber at eighteen dollars, with no purchasers.

EGG—EXTRAORDINARY.—Mrs. Albert Beeman, of Lafayette township, has presented us with a couple of eggs that do infinite credit to the enterprise of the inmates of her poultry-yard. They weighed both together just one pound, and each measured 8¼ by 8 inches in circumference. If there is a hen in the county that can do better, let her cackle.

HENS WANTED.—The Grand Haven, (Michigan) Herald says: Wm. Bell, killed by the cars last Friday, leaves 60 acres of improved land and some personal property. He came from Pennsylvania about twenty years ago, has no relations here, and leaves no clue to his native place or friends. Pennsylvania papers please copy.

An organization to be known as the St. Elizabeth's Total Abstinence Association was completed in this place last Sunday. Nearly thirty members were sworn in, and the following officers elected—President, P. McNulty; Vice President, Thomas Connelly; Corresponding Secretary, Simon Glenn; Treasurer, Michael Lynch; Marshal, Ned. Casey

— Whom is the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of our new jail to be performed? Or are our Commissioners too practical in their views to indulge in such vanities! It is not often that so massive and durable a public building is erected in this county, and we think that the laying of its corner-stone is an event of sufficient moment to deserve a commemoration.

—The McKean & Buffalo Railroad has until recently been operated by the contractor. It is now in the hands of the company under the direction of Superintendent Godden. Many of the gentlemen who were connected with the building of the road have left or are making arrangements to leave for other fields of labor. Their many friends here will join us in wishing for them abundant success and prosperity wherever duty may call

— J. L. Rutledge reports to us every reasonable success in the mercantile business at Farmers Valley, of which we are pleased to hear. It is not always that a professional man embarks in the uncertain sea of business safely or successfully. Mr. R deserves a share of patronage, and we are glad to know that he is receiving it. In a short time he will announce to the public through our advertising columns the inducements that he can offer his patrons.

Those gentlemen in New York and other eastern towns who persist in sending us prospectuses for advertising, with blank contract enclosed, will save trees, postage and paper, by dropping their paper from the list of supposed rural verdants. We want no books, pianos, liquors or medicine in exchange for advertising. Orders from the cities, except from reliable advertising agencies, receive no attention from us unless accompanied with the cash.

— The jail building begins to appear above the ground in massive solidity. The ancient person of a conservative turn of mind who was directed to "go to the ant, &c.," could learn an equally valuable lesson in industry by visiting the jail grounds. No idlers or loafers who imagine that the world is in their debt for a living will be found there. The oft-mentioned "hum of industry" can be heard all over the ground.

— The "oil belt" is found to be very elastic. For several years the territory in the region of Titusville has been described by the principal oil operators as outside of the belt. One of them, however, put down a chance well a while ago, and it turned out to be a "spouter," producing 200 barrels a day. And now the tide of speculation, which is ever ebbing and flowing, has set towards Titusville, and the Herald is happy.

— We were shown through the newly finished and furnished Olean House, in Olean, several days ago, and were both astonished and pleased at the improvements witnessed. All the halls, the dining-room, and the office are elegantly finished and celled with two kinds of wood, and the halls all carpeted. The rooms, of which we counted nearly fifty, are all newly furnished with the best modern furniture and fixings. They set a good table, and in every respect the Olean House is a first class hotel, one at which it is a pleasure to stop.

— H. Stanley, in the employ of Ira S. Gleason, has just finished a harness for Gen. T. L. Kane that would become even Goldsmith Maid herself. The workmanship and material will stand the closest examination, and an inspection of it should convince anybody that it is not necessary to send to Buffalo or any out-side town to get a first-class harness. Stanley is an A No. 1 workman, and Ira S. Gleason has too good a reputation for honest, upright dealing to be willing to injure it by letting a poor article go out of his shop. If you want a good harness call at Gleason's shop before going elsewhere, and you will save money.

Fillmore Park.

In company with Mr. H. L. Lyman, the general Treasurer of the B. N. Y. & Phila. Railroad, and Prof. Grote, Director of the Buffalo Museum, we enjoyed the pleasure a few days since of a brief visit to this beautiful resort for pic-nic and excursion parties from the city of Buffalo, and also the towns in its vicinity. It is located 18 miles this side of Buffalo and about one mile from East Aurora, adjoining the railroad, and is a part of the old Fillmore estate. The house in which Millard Fillmore was born stands near the grove. The Park comprises 27 acres, and is owned by the B. N. Y. & Phila company. They have lately come into possession of the property, and have only this season commenced putting the grove in shape for use. Among the improvements are sixteen summer houses, each with capacity for seating eight persons, a large dancing pavilion, numerous swings, a capacious cook room with every convenience, a ladies dressing-room, tables, croquet-grounds, &c. On each side of the grove is a beautiful and romantic ravine or glen, across which have been thrown two rustic bridges, adding very much to the charm of the spot. A side-track has been built so that an excursion train can be left at the disposal of excursionists. Other improvements are in contemplation, which will make this one of the most delightful places for quiet and enjoyable pic-nic parties. It is already very popular, and is engaged for nearly every day this month by Buffalo parties.

The deceased had been addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors

The above we copy from a brief notice of the death of Chas. E. Bailey, in last weeks' Reporter. It was possibly written thoughtlessly, and without counting the added sorrow to the heart-broken wife and mother that might be caused by the publishing broadcast of such flippant statements. We do not know that the deceased had "been addicted to the excessive use of intoxicating liquors," we never saw him take a drink, and never saw him intoxicated. Perhaps the editor of the Reporter has, but if so, it is not an act of kindness to the dead or his living friends to publish the fact to the world, when it can benefit no one. The excessive use of Liquor is more often a misfortune than a crime, and the most complete slaves of the cup loathe themselves and the habit more deeply than it is possible for others to. The man with the pulpy, sluggish brain can fill himself full of intoxicating liquor and it seems to have no more effect upon him than upon a mullet-head fish, while the man of a quick, active brain has only to drink one tenth of the quantity to set his brain on fire. From the former class come our "moderate drinkers" who guzzle it down day and night from behind the door and before the bar, brag about knowing when they have got enough, and wonder why those of the latter class should "make such d—d fool of themselves." We do not know that the editor of the Reporter belongs to either class, neither do we know Charley Bailey did. It is enough to know that he committed suicide, and does for pity sake, take up any more sins against him

The St Elizabeths' Total Abstinence Association of Clermont have a beautiful grove and a new dancing and commodious platform for dancing. For the use of the grove as long as they wish they are indebted to Col A. J Wilcox, upon whose land it is located. For the dancing platform and pavilion they are indebted to Mr. G Macfarlane, Mining Engineer of the Coal Company. The members of the Association appreciate and are grateful for the kindness of Messrs. Wilcox and Macfarlane, and have requested us to express the same through the columns of the Miner. Knowing both gentlemen to be possessed of large and generous hearts, and with all modesty, we have refrained from publishing a formal card of thanks, but can assure them that by these little acts of kindness they have gained many friends among a class of men who do not forget a kind act

— Postmaster General Jewett should turn his investigating eyes toward McKean county. Nearly every week we are bidgered and bored by subscribers with the complaint that they have not received their Miner of a certain issue, when we know as well as we know of our existence that they were sent from our office. Either the local postmaster is inexcusably ignorant or negligent or kind neighbors steal the paper from the office. Pitch into the postmasters or your neighbors: we are not responsible after the papers are in the mails. If you find it impossible to get your papers with any sort of regularity, our advice is to pay up and stop it until postmasters learn to attend to their business and neighbors who do not subscribe for any paper cease to steal.

— General Thomas L. Kane, well known to many in this county as the gallant leader of the "Bucktails" in the late war, arrived in town last Saturday and remained over Sunday. The General was accompanied by his family, and he traveled from his home at Kane to this place in the most delightful manner at this time of the year—with his own horses and carriage. The immediate occasion of his visit was to enable his son and daughter to unite with the Presbyterian Church of this village. He left for home yesterday afternoon much to the regret of a large number of his friends and companions in arms who had made preparations to serenade him last evening. We are glad to say that he looks hale and hearty, and appears to enjoy life as he deserves to.—Wellsboro Agitator.

NOTICE.—Those indebted to me for professional services previous to April 1, 1875, will confer a favor and save costs by settling the same immediately. Interest will hereafter be charged on all accounts allowed to run over three months. S. D. FREEMAN, M. D.

Cheese.

The second report that we have received from W. O. Congden's Smethport Cheese Factory is not less encouraging than the first. His last sale of cheese was made on the 9th inst., when he sold 4200 pounds at 12 cents per pound. At the same time no other factory in the county received over 11½, and only one, (the Eldred, which is run in connection with the best factory in Allegany county, and by an experienced cheese maker from that factory) made as high a sale as that. The average sales during this month have been at 11 cents. This last sale was the product of the last twenty days of June, and up to within ten days of the press. In addition, Mr. Congden has sold in small lots at retail 1700 pounds, at 13 cents per pound. Since he has commenced making, about two months ago, he has sold to the local trade over 3400 pounds, over a ton and a half, which shows how we "cheese it" at home.

A Severe Accident.

Mr A. B. Armstrong met with a very severe and painful accident last Saturday afternoon. He was putting up for a customer a mixture of sulphuric acid and mercury, and having poured the compound into a bottle inadvertently put the stopple in very tight, when immediately the powerful fermentation blew out the stopple and a portion of the contents of the bottle struck him in the face. The effect could hardly have been more distressing had molten lead been thrown into his face. He was immediately taken to his residence and Dr. Brown called to attend him. For hours his sufferings were indescribable, completely crazing him at times. Luckily very little got into his eyes, and it is believed that his sight will be retained, though it was a very close call.

Another Avalanche

Of new goods is now being poured into A. N. Taylor's store. Mr. Taylor has just returned from a trip to the city and is followed by boxes, bales, trunks and bundles packed full of cloths, dress goods, hats, caps, boots and shoes &c., which he is bound to sell at prices below the possibility of successful competition. He has $1,500 worth of sheet, and all other goods in proportionate quantities. Those who thought he would never sell his immense stock of last Spring should look at his present stock, which is much larger, and which will all be sold in time for the fall stock. Call and look at the bargains offered.

A New Enterprise.

Our friend below, in the first story of the Miner building, Mr. Patterson, the Jeweler, has started an enterprise that should prove a medium of great convenience to the reading people of our place, although it will not probably at present be a source of very great profit to himself. He has opened a news-room, and made arrangements whereby he can furnish regularly any newspaper of magazine published. We hope our friends who like good reading will patronize this undertaking that it may become a permanent institution of our borough.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.—Notice is hereby given to the TAX-PAYERS of Smethport School District that I will be at my office at the store of A B. Armstrong, on Monday the 9th of August, 1875, to receive the school taxes of said borough for 1876. A deduction of five per cent. will be made on taxes paid on or before the expiration of two months from the date of this notice.

DANL FORSYTH Treasurer.

July 10, 1875

ANNUAL MEETING.—The Annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Rochester, Nundas & Pennsylvania Rail Road Company, for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Company at the village of Mt. Morris, on July, July 27, from 1 to 3 o'clock P. M.

A. LOCKHART. President.

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He is prepared to do

Shaving & Hair Dressing

in the highest style and at the lowest price. A select assortment of

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and other fancy and useful articles constantly on hand. Call and be satisfied for yourselves.

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Heavy & Shelf Hardware,

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TIN & WOODEN WARE,

New Store,

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12-3m SMETHPORT, PA.

Financial statement of Road Supervisors and School Treasurer of Hamlin Township for 1874-75.

Davault Martin, late Supervisor. Dr.

Moneys rec'd from Town Treas.	$315 00
Orders drawn from Co. Com'rs.	300 00
	$615 00

Davault Martin, late Supervisor Cr.

By labor and acct. presented	$670 00
	615 00
Balance due Supervisor	$55 00
Balance paid "	$55 00

John W. Dutcher, Supervisor. Dr.

Orders drawn from Co. Treas.	$300 00
Moneys rec'd from Town "	200 00
" " Supervisor, Joseph Feld,	19 00
	$519 00

John W. Dutcher, Supervisor. Cr

By labor and acct presented	$519 00

H. W. BURLINGAME
J. E. WHITE
P. E PECK
Auditors.

Davault Martin, School Treas. Dr.

To orders drawn from Co. Commissioners	$1600 00
Cash drawn from Town Treas.	317 19
" " "	61 00
State Appropriation	10 05
Seated Duplicate, 1874	114 78
" 1875	113 07
Balance in hands May 30th, 1874	570 83
Rec'd from Collector Dutcher	24 29
	$2212 17

Davault Martin, School Treasurer Cr.

By draft presented	$34 25
By " "	1677 87
Percentage money paid out at 2 per cent.	23 55
Collecting at 5 per cent	11 19
Exonerations	29 15
	$1751 21
	$2212 17
	1752 21
Balance in Davault Martin hands	$460 96

D. I. PATTISON,
Secretary.

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All kinds of Pictures taken—in clear and cloudy weather. G. L. BERGSTRESSER, the Agent and Operator at this Gallery, has had 20 years experience in the photograph business, and will warrant satisfaction to all who give him a call.

Copying and Enlarging

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☞ The rooms will only be kept open as long as business continues good, therefore persons wishing work done should call soon. ☜

Administrator's Sale.

WHEREAS letters of Administration of the Estate of Ebenezer Patteson deceased, late of the township of Norwich, McKean county, Pa., have been granted to the subscriber, and whereas an order of the Orphans Court of McKean county, Pa., was made June 22d A. D. 1875, directing the sale of decedent real Estate, to pay debt, term cash on confirmation. Now therefore, in pursuance of said order of sale, the undersigned Administrators, will expose to public sale on Saturday, July 31st A. D. 1875, at 1 o'clock P. M., of said day the following described real Estate to wit: All of that certain piece or parcel of land situate and being in the township of Norwich, County of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being parts of lot No 11 and 12 in the survey, made by I. Colegrove. Beginning at a part on the West bank of Potato or Sixes Creek, being the East corner of Asa Cotter's land, thence West two hundred and forty on poles to a post corner in the West line of said lots Nos. 11 and 12, being the South West corner of the said Cotter's land, thence South on the line of said lots seventy rods eleven links to a post corner in the South West line of lot No. 11; thence East two hundred poles to a post for a corner on the West bank of Potato or Sixes Creek; thence down said Creek through all its windings to the place of beginning. Containing ninety-three acres one hundred and ten perches of land, more or less, being the same land, conveyed by Wheeler Gallup and Wife to William Sweeten by deed bearing date the second day of May, A. D, 1831, and known as the Patteson farm, one frame barn 30 by 40 feet, one frame house 24 by 36 feet, a good spring of water and two small orchards.

D. P. PATTESON,
S. W PATTESON,
Administrators.

Smethport, July 1, 1875—12 35—6.

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Barn door rails
Barn door rollers
Base knobs
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Bed cords
Bed screws
Bed cords
Beef pounders
Bells
Bench hooks
Bench screws
Bevels
Bits
Blacking
Blind butts
Blind staples
Bolts, all kinds
Boot jacks
Borax
Boring machines
Brushes
Buckets
Bull rings
Butts all kinds
Candle sticks
Cake turners
Calipers
Caps, percussion
Carpet stretchers
Cartridges
Castors
catches
Cattle leaders
Chain, all kinds
Chalk lines
Chalk
Crayons
Chisels, all kinds
Clamps
Cleavers
Clothes lines
Clothes wringers
Coal hods
Coffee mills
Corn cutters
Corn poppers
Crow bars
Curry combs
Curtain pins
Cutlery
Dippers
Dividers
Dog collars
Draw shaves
Egg beaters,
Expansive bits
Faucets
Felloe plates
Files
Fleting machines
Forks all kinds
Freezers
Fry pans
Gate hinges
Gauges
Gimlets
Glazier's point
Glue
Glue pots
Grain sickles
Gradirons
Gunpowder
Grindstones
Gun nipples
Hammers
Hand vises
Handles all kinds
Hasps and staples
Hatchets
Hay knives
Hinges all kinds
Hoes
Hooks all kinds
Horse pokers
Horse rakes
Horse hoes
Trunnil kinds—and Pinking, waffle and tuyers
Irons
Keys
Knives
Lamps
Lanterns
Levels
Locks
Mallets
Match safes
Measuring tapes
Meat cutters
Molasses gates
Mop sticks
Mouse traps
Mowing machines
Nails
Nails
Oils
Oil stones
Picks
Picture nails
Planes
Pulleys
Pumps
Plows
Rules
Saleratus
Safety fuse
Sand paper
Saucer pans
Saws all kinds
Scissors
Scoops, coal and grain
Screw drivers
Screws
Settees
Sheep shears
Shot
Shovels
Sieves
Spades
Spoons
Squares
Stoves
Tacks
Tea kettles
Tobacco boxes
Tee cubs
Tongs
Trowels
Tin ware, all kinds
Vises
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To Our Friends and the Public:

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is thoroughly assorted and extensively stocked. We trust the annexed will receive and repay careful perusal, our desire being to impart useful information, and to secure our share of the Public Patronage.

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Will find a large line of the **Very Latest Styles of Fancy Stationery**, and those of a "literary turn," however fastidious, cannot but be suited should they examine our large and complete line of

Miscellaneous Books, including works of the best authors. In **School Books** we defy competition. Buying directly from the publishers, to supply our WHOLESALE TRADE, we get the VERY LARGEST DISCOUNT. Our stock of

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are sufficiently large to enable us to suit each and all in quality and price.

Trusting that by our untiring devotion and fidelity to the wishes and interests of our customers, we may succeed in enlarging and developing our business and pledging our best endeavors in behalf of our friends, and soliciting the patronage of those with whom we have not yet had the pleasure of a business acquaintance.

We remain faithfully yours,

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THE SUBSCRIBER takes pleasure in announcing to the citizens of Smethport and vicinity that he is receiving daily a large variety of NEW GOODS, consisting

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Which he proposes to sell at the Lowest Cash Prices. The people of Smethport and surrounding country are invited to call and examine his stock before purchasing elsewhere, and satisfy themselves that this is the only place in McKean county where they can find a good variety and quality of goods.

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A fine assortment of

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THE BENNETT HOUSE,

IN SMETHPORT, PA., is offered for sale. This Hotel is located at the County seat of McKean County, and is the best hotel property in the county. It will be sold at a reasonable price and upon easy terms. Any one wishing to purchase a Hotel property will do well to examine it. For any further information, call upon or address the proprietor. WM. HASKELL.

Smethport, April 2, 1875.

THE FLOODS IN FRANCE.

Further Details of the Terrible Disaster—Frightful Loss of Life and Destruction of Property.

Now that fuller details by the mail of the recent disasters in southern France enable us to measure their scope and force more accurately than was possible from the meager outlines of the cable news, they assume the proportions almost of a cataclysm. Nothing approaching these floods in severity and in the extent of fertile, densely populated country ravaged by them, has been witnessed before during the current century. In one and another locality the stricken inhabitants seek some sort of comfort in the reflection that twenty years ago, in 1852, or forty years ago, in 1835, their own particular region was visited by a flood as sweeping and as irresistible. But even in regard to these instances it must be remembered that the inundations of 1835 or of 1852 overtook a country less thickly inhabited and destroyed industries less richly developed than now. The range of the floods of 1875 covers the whole width of southern France from Bezzers, on the shores of the Gulf of Lyons, to Bayonne, on the Bay of Biscay. Portions of at least twelve departments, which in all contain more than four millions of inhabitants, and occupy an area of more than ninety thousand square kilometers have been submerged, in many cases to the depth of from nine to twenty-five English feet. To enable us to imagine what this means, we may fancy, for example, the State of Maine inhabited by the population of the State of New York, and flooded by a simultaneous rise of all its inland waters from Moosehead lake to the Atlantic.

Two mountain chains, the Pyrenees, which run from the southeast to the northwest, along the Spanish frontier of France, and the Cevennes, which run from the northeast to the southwest, at an angle with the Pyrenees, may be regarded as the main sources of the calamity, which has, however, beyond a doubt, been greatly aggravated by a most extraordinary state of the atmosphere. From almost all parts of the afflicted region we have accounts of unprecedentedly violent and long-continued rain storms, such as that which raging less than a fortnight ago over the hills of Buda, in Hungary, fairly converted the streets of that precipitous old Oriental town into torrents, and washed scores of helpless people down into the Danube. In the extreme southeastern corner of France, the ancient Roussillon, snow actually fell in the middle of June. In that region the towns of Olette, Montlouis and Saillegouse were flooded, and there is reason to fear that the flocks which, as the custom is, had already been driven up into the mountains, have suffered severely.

In the department of the Aude the Pyrenees and the Cevennes divide between them the disaster. The Aude, which rises in the Pyrenees and flows north and eastward to the Mediterranean, has submerged the region about Castelnaudary and Carcassonne, while the plains about Castres have been laid under water by the rise of the Agout, which descends from the Cevennes and runs westward towards the Atlantic. All the vicinity of Narbonne, the *placherrimæ Narbo* of Martial, and one of the most ancient Roman cities of Gaul, on the Mediterranean, has been submerged. The crops, which in this part of France were extraordinarily promising, have been utterly destroyed. The river Tarn, which like the Agout rises in the Cevennes, has done more mischief even than the colleagues. After flooding the country about Alby, the picturesque old southern city whose name was immortalized by the sufferings of the persecuted Albigenslans, the Tarn has converted all the neighborhood of the beautiful and lively town of Montauban into a lake. It flows into the Garonne, about six miles below the town of Moissac; and such has been the rise in both rivers that the whole intervening space between Moissac and the junction of the Tarn with the Garonne is now a wild waste of waters, the two streams confounded in one. All this region is full of admirable corn and wheat lands in the highest state of cultivation, and the damage done here may therefore be more easily imagined than described.

The most dreadful destruction of all, however, has, of course, been wrought by the great stream of the Garonne itself. This river, which rises between the Pic de Montpellier and the mighty Maladetta, the "Cursed mountain" of the Pyrenees, draws to itself a great number of tributary torrents in its downward course towards the unhappy cities of Toulouse and Agen. At Toulouse it seems to have risen nearly thirty feet; and after devastating plains, villages and hamlets for miles in its headlong course, it threw itself with irresistible fury upon that ancient city. Thirty thousand people in one great and busy quarter of the southern capital, the Faubourg of St. Cyprien were cut off for twelve hours from all communication with the rest of the city. One after another the bridges which linked them with the rest of the city were swept away, having been beaten from their solid foundations by the masses of wreck swept incessantly against them. The water in this quarter was twenty-five feet in depth. The foundations of the houses of course were undermined by it, and all through the long, dark, tempestuous night the terrified inhabitants heard on every side the thunder and crash of falling walls, mingled with the screams of men, women and children whom it was generally impossible to see and to save.

The garrison of Toulouse seemed to have behaved nobly, and numbers both of officers and soldiers lost their lives in gallant but too often fruitless efforts to save these unhappy people. A terrible incident of this calamity at this point was the rescue by the troops just at nightfall of five hundred patients from the hospital of the Hôtel-Dieu, on the left bank of the Garonne, at the entrance of the bridge known as the Pont-Neuf. The waters had flooded the hospital gardens; the cellars were full of water, and the tide had begun to invade the ground floor when the authorities had determined to evacuate the place. The imagination shrinks from picturing to itself the horrors of the scene which followed, and it deserves to be recorded to the lasting honor of the French soldiery that this perilous and dreadful piece of work was accomplished in a few hours, and without the loss of a life. It had hardly been achieved when the massive stone bridge yielded to the enormous impact of the swollen stream and disappeared.

At Agen the Garonne rose six feet between eleven o'clock at night and five in the morning, and the whole surrounding country was completely submerged and laid waste. Further to the west still another Pyrenean river, the Adour, which rises between the Pic d'Arbizon and the Pic du Midi, and after flowing northwestward turns first to the westward and then to the southwest, and discharges itself into the Bay of Biscay at Bayonne, has rivaled the Tarn and the Garonne in the fury of its overflow. A fierce torrent—the Gave de Pau, which passes by Orthez, where Wellington was wounded in a desperate and indecisive battle with the army of Soult—joins the Adour near the hamlet of Guiche, and these two water courses united have spread desolation over the vineyards and the cornfields.

The pleasant old city of Tarbes, the watering-place of Bagneres-de-Bigorre, the Val Lonsseron, Peyrehorade, Aire, Cazeres, have all been inundated. Many people perished in the streets of Pau, the favorite Pyrenean capital of English pleasure travelers. It snowed heavily at the lively little town of Luchon, where at this season of the year snow had not before been seen during this century.

To meet a calamity thus vast in its extent and unprecedented in its violence, all the resources of French charity and French administrative skill must be taxed indeed to their utmost.—*New York World.*

Devonshire Cream.

An American now reading at Tunbridge Wells, England, sends to the readers of the *Tribune* directions for making this luxury so eagerly sought by visitors to the "old country." In Devonshire it is found in every market place, and is sold at about the same price per pound as butter, which costs more time and labor to produce. It is more perishable than butter, but less so than cream that has not been cooked. Of course, the fresher it is the better, though it retains its eatable qualities for several days if properly cared for. If it were once fairly introduced to the American public by confectioners and dairymen, there is no doubt that a brisk demand for it would follow.

Directions: New milk fresh from the cow (Alderney or Jersey is best, because richest) is strained into a shallow pan and set away over night, or if in the morning, for the day, to allow all the cream to raise. This pan of milk, with the cream undisturbed, is then placed over the fire in another pan partly filled with water, and allowed to heat gradually until the milk is almost ready to simmer, when it is removed from the fire and set away for several hours to cool. When quite cold, the cream, which by cooking has become thick and stiff, is skimmed off from the milk, and is then ready to be eaten.

It is a nice point to know just when the milk is sufficiently heated, for if it is permitted to "come to a boil," it is spoiled for true "Devonshire," as the cream is at once dispersed and mingled with the milk, and the whole is no better than boiled milk and scum. By watching the surface, however, a careful eye will, at the right moment, see the cream begin to rise a little in the center; the pan should be immediately removed, before the surface becomes broken. It is usually served at dessert with berries or stewed fruits. Great caution must be used not to ruin the cream by overcooking, but it is almost as nice a point for people with delicate stomachs to know just when to stop eating it.

A Bottle of Ginger Pop.

A little boy was carrying a bottle of ginger pop down a street in Lockport, N. Y., the *Union* says, when suddenly the cork popped out and popped him in the north eye. When he had sufficiently recovered from his astonishment, he yelled so vigorously that a small crowd soon collected around him to ascertain the matter. Two carpenters at work on the next block around the corner, in their anxiety to see what the excitement was about, fell out of the second-story window on to a peanut stand beneath. Then two women fainted, one of whom suddenly disappeared in an adjacent coal cellar. Three small boys shouted "fire!" and a man with a long ladder on his shoulder, hearing their cries, turned around suddenly, and after overturning an apple woman amidst the demoralizing ruin of her wares, the end of the ladder demolished a plate glass window, and finally settled itself on an old gentleman's worst corn. Then a fat old lady had one eye gouged out by an umbrella, and two men, after excitedly endeavoring to explain to each other the cause of it all, got into a fight and rolled recklessly into the gutter. By this time seven policemen, headed by two fire engines, came upon the scene, and arrested nine innocent lookers-on. This had the effect of dispersing the crowd, most of whom to this hour haven't the remotest idea what it was all about anyhow.

TIME HUMBY.—It was at the house of a well-known doctor of divinity, and the little toddling girl, who did not like to see her aunt trim a lighted kerosene lamp, had come honestly by a somewhat modified theory of predestination. "Take care! take care! or we'll get blown up into the sky; and then God'll say: 'Girls, what are you in such a hurry for?'"

Kentucky census takers report the case of a couple at Crofton, aged forty-three years each, whose family circle comprises twenty-two children.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Items of Interest from Home and Abroad.

The temperance people of California nominated a full State ticket.....The government of Mexico has issued a circular to the effect that foreign vessels shall not be permitted to do coasting trade when there are national vessels which can do it.....The bureau of statistics at Washington report that there has been a falling off in imports in the past eleven months of $53,164,339, and of exports, in currency value, $160,475,722, and gold value, $7,204,909 .....Great excitement exists in Matamoras in consequence of the Mexican authorities arresting Gen. Cortina, who has been accessory to the bandits who raided into the United States. Cortina's police were also imprisoned.....The peasants of Dova and vicinity, in Transylvania, Austria, revolted against the nobles and defeated a battalion of militia. Regular troops were on their way to put down the insurrection.....The measles and typhoid fever still prevail with deadly effect in the Fiji Islands and aid is to be sent from Australia.....The French government has appointed a special committee for the purpose of encouraging Frenchmen to participate in the Philadelphia Centennial exhibition..... The prospects of the growing cotton crop are reported to be very good.....In the diocesan synod at Quebec the bishop instructed the clergy to refuse to marry "all who refuse to come to the church to be married."..... The banks of Bowling Green, Ky., have distributed one hundred rifles among the inhabitants to protect the banks from the notorious James and Younger brothers, who are suspected of lurking in that vicinity.....A negro named Albert Brown, who outraged and murdered a little girl of five years at Tonawanda, Pa., last August, was hanged at that place after trial and conviction. He acknowledged the crime.

The Philadelphia revenue officers seized the large tobacco warehouse of Henry Mehl & Co., and took Mr. Mehl into custody on a charge of removing snuff from his factory unstamped and improperly stamped.....John Hughes was hanged in the jail yard at Newton, N. J., for brutally murdering his wife in January last. In his remarks while upon the scaffold he neither acknowledged or denied the crime, although at the time of his arrest he admitted it.....Paris dispatches place the loss by inundations in the southwestern portion of France at 800,000, and the number of lives lost at three thousand.....The official figures from the Irish-American rifle match show the Americans won by thirty-nine points instead of thirty-eight.....The Swiss national council has voted $5,000 to defray the expenses of a proper representation of Swiss products and industry at the Philadelphia Centennial..... The assembly of Cape Colony has unanimously adopted resolutions in favor of the annexation of sundry independent territories south of Natal, inhabited by one hundred and fifty thousand Caffres.....By the burning of the stables of the East Genesco street railroad company, at Auburn, N. Y., eighteen horses perished.....Private advices from the Black Hills report extensive discoveries of gold.

Although the disaster on the Southern railroad of Long Island was one of the most disastrous that has lately taken place; the only wonder is that loss of life was so small. Densely crowded trains were running to and from Rockaway, and one of these trains collided, telescoping and turning a scene of pleasure into one of death. In one instant, as it were, and with scarcely a warning, seven persons were instantly killed, six fatally and twenty-two seriously injured. One engineer and fireman saved their lives by boldly leaping from the locomotive while at full speed. Two of the men who were killed met their deaths as they sat by the side of their wives and children, the latter escaping without a scratch. When the collision occurred the two locomotives met, rose and toppled over; the tender of the up train, composed of four cars, was lifted up and deposited on the top of the smoking car, partly crushing it in.....The governor's council of Massachusetts have decided against a commutation of the death sentence pronounced against Jesse Pomeroy, the boy murderer..... It was expected that the American rifle team would be kindly treated in Ireland, but the courtesies they received were far ahead of the wildest imagination. From the highest to the lowest every effort was made to make the greeting cordial, earnest and heartfelt, and associations were formed that will never be forgotten on either side of the Atlantic. Should the rifle team visit the States again they will meet with a welcome that cannot be expressed in words.....The Toronto *Globe* publishes dispatches from all parts of Canada, from which it appears that the fall wheat crop will be considerably below the average on account of the winter-kill. The spring wheat promises an average crop. .....Generals Pillow and Forrest made speeches at a picnic of colored people at Memphis, on the Fourth, and Forrest accepted a bouquet from them as a token of reconciliation.....Dean Stanley, preaching in Westminster Abbey, London, July 4th, referred to the American declaration of independence and contrasted the pleasant feelings now displayed between the two countries to that felt a few years ago. He said that now every American was proud of his English ancestry, and every Englishman was proud of Washington.....A young woman named Lena Reim, of New York, while bathing at Rockaway beach, Long Island, was overcome by the surf and cried for help. A young man responded and started to her aid, but she sank from sight before he reached her. He then turned for the shore, but became exhausted; and on another man's attempting to aid him they both went down and were evident'y drowning. A Mr. Lloyd who was near swam to their rescue, but he also became exhausted and was pulled out by a young man who had a rope tied to his waist. The drowning of the young woman and two men was witnessed by hundreds on the beach.

The German government has decided to build a naval hospital in San Francisco for the benefit of their squadron in the Pacific.....The American rifle team were accorded a grand reception at Belfast.....The funeral of the ex-Emperor Ferdinand, of Austria, was attended by the entire Austrian court and many high officials from other countries.....Mr. Gambetta, the French editor, has refused a challenge from H. Cassagnac, an opposing editor, on the ground that he has other duties and responsibilities toward his party and France than to hold himself open to the first opponent who may seek to destroy him.....The steamship Lamberman, while returning from Fortress Monroe to Norfolk, Va., with a pleasure party of eighteen on board, was run into off Sewell's Point by the steamer Isaac Bell, and sank immediately in fifty feet of water. Ten of the party were drowned..... A violent thunder storm passed over portions of the country and did considerable damage. In Milford, Pa., a large hotel which was shortly to have been opened was struck by lightning and greatly damaged. A number of houses in the towns about Worcester, Mass., were injured by lightning. In Nyack, N. Y., two men were instantly killed by lightning while bathing a horse. In Portsmouth, Va., two boys were killed by a bolt.....A party of seven lads, while bathing at Fall River, Mass., joined hands and walked off a sand-bar into deep water. Six of their number were drowned. The seventh lad reached the shore.....The Canadian lumber trade continues very dull. There are no sales to report, and the yards are becoming crowded. The mills are still running, but will be shut down unusually early this season.

Mr. Gildersleove, of the American rifle team, won the cup offered by the mayor of Belfast, which was shot for at that place at one thousand yards. When all the contestants had had their five shots, it was found that Gildersleove, of the American team, and Lee, of the Irish, both counted nineteen out of a possible twenty. They each then fired three shots to decide the matter, but again tied. Once more they tried when Gildersleove counted twelve to his opponent's ten. The enthusiasm was great..... The Wisconsin Republican State Convention nominated Mayor Harrison Ludington, of Milwaukee, for governor. The platform adopted approves the letter of President Grant discouraging the continuance in office of any Chief Magistrate of the nation for a longer period than two terms; favors the gradual resumption of specie payments by continuous steps in that direction, in such a manner as to disturb the business interests of the country as little as possible; and favors a tariff for revenue only, so adjusted as to be the least burdensome and the most favorable to the interests of labor and industry.....The Minnesota State Democratic Convention nominated D. L. Buell for governor. The platform opposes all attempts to limit the freedom of the press; a return to gold and silver as the basis of the currency of the country, with preparation and effective measures to secure the resumption of specie payments; a tariff for revenue only consistent with an honest administration; no government partnership with protected monopolies; equal and exact justice to all men; no partial legislation; no partial taxation; free and uniform excise laws; no sumptuary laws. .....The members of Plymouth Church, at a meeting held for the purpose, voted unanimously that Mr. Beecher's salary for the year 1875 should be $100,000. His regular salary being $20,000, the church takes this course to allow him $80,000 toward the expenses of his late trial.....Italy declines to take part in our centennial exhibition on account of the expense.....Landor and Price, the alleged perjurers in the Beecher case, had a preliminary examination, and were committed to await the action of the grand jury.....Gov. Osborn, of Kansas, has forwarded to the President a strong remonstrance against the settlement of the Sioux and other hostile Indians in the Indian Territory, adjacent to Kansas.

Dispatches from Hungary put the loss of life by the recent flood there at between one and two hundred. The loss of property was very heavy and hundreds are destitute.....The rivers Touques and Orbiquet, in France, overflowed their banks and inundated several towns, destroying much property and causing a small loss of life. On account of recent rains it is feared the valleys of the Seine, Marne and Saone will be flooded.....The Connecticut house of representatives voted $15,000 toward the centennial—$10,000 in stock and $15,000 for a local board to promote the interests of Connecticut at the exhibition. .....The headquarters of the National Grange have been removed from Washington to Louisville, Ky. The next meeting will be held on the third Wednesday of November next.....At a meeting of one hundred ministers, held in New York, it was voted to ask Messrs. Moody and Sankey to hold revival meetings in that city on their return to this country.....Gen. Frank P. Blair, who had been sick for many months, but was growing stronger under the blood transfusing treatment, died suddenly in St. Louis. He walked down stairs the day of his death.

Picking Stone.

It is not very pleasant business to pick stones, but it is work that should be done promptly, and with great carefulness. Work is very often disagreeable but on that account it is not best to neglect it. Very little would be accomplished in the world if there were none to do the hard and fatiguing work. It is much better to spend a few days in picking stones every spring than to have valuable time wasted and money required to repair broken mowing machines. No good farmer will neglect to clear his mowing fields of their stones. If the boys get too tired when required to pick stones ten hours a day, give them a change of work each day, for six hours is long enough to bend one's back in this kind of work in a day. Some farmers throw the stones into heaps and leave them from year to year, to occupy considerable land on which nothing can grow and to make trouble every hay season. It is much better to cart them away at once. You do not look on your neighbor as a very good farmer if he allows his hayfields to remain covered with stones and stone-heaps. Men who do this generally leave their stone walls to tumble down, and their fences to fall to ruin. Everything about their farms presents a dilapidated appearance. A trim, neat, orderly farm, with smooth fields, good buildings and fences is an object of admiration by all passers by. Such a farm is all the advertisement which its owner needs. For the sake of his reputation, then, as well as his own satisfaction and convenience, a farmer should pick up his stones and dig out the rocks. A little blasting powder sometimes comes in well to remove an ugly boulder. The process of blasting will interest the boys and a little variety of this kind will do them no harm. Get rid of the rocks and stones and you will not find it lost labor.

The Epidemic in the Fijian Islands.

In the House of Lords, England, Lord Shaftesbury called attention to the telegraphic dispatch which appeared in the London *Times*, stating that advices have been received at Melbourne of the death of 50,000 Fijian natives during the epidemic of measles which had been for some time prevalent in the Fijian Islands, and asked whether the government had endeavored to apply a remedy to the horrible pestilence. Lord Carnarvon feared that, though the figures representing the number of deaths might not be perfectly accurate, the statement that a very large proportion of the population had perished was substantially true. The natives were represented as beian panic-stricken, and refused the medicine offered them, declaring that the disease had been communicated to them by Europeans from malicious motives. He had telegraphed to the authorities to spare no expense or exertions in providing both food and medicine for the unfortunate people; and, though the mortality had been undeniably large, he hoped that the worst was now over.

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Cotton—Middling	16¾	@	15¾
Flour—Extra Western	5 15	@	5 80
State Extra	5 10	@	5 50
Wheat—Red Western	1 32	@	1 33
No. 2 Spring	1 18	@	1 19
Rye—State	1 09	@	1 10
Barley—State	1 35	@	1 36
Barley Malt	1 42½	@	1 50
Oats—Mixed Western	57¾	@	58
Corn—Mixed Western	80	@	81
day, per cwt	50	@	1 10
Straw, per cwt	50	@	90
Hops	24@ 26	olds	08 @ 12
Pork—Mess	20 25	@	20 50
Lard	12¾	@	12¾
Fish—Mackerel, No. 1, new	13 00	@	14 00
" No. 2, new	9 50	@	10 00
Dry Cod, per cwt	5 50	@	6 00
Herring, Scaled, per box	40	@	40
Petroleum—Crude	06¾	@	06¾
Wool—California Fleece	28	@	35
"	26	@	34
Australian "	45	@	54
Butter—State	28	@	30
Welted up Dairy	24	@	24
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Western Ordinary	13	@	14
Pennsylvania Flats	23	@	25
Cheese—State Factory	10	@	12½
State Skimmed	02	@	05
Western	05	@	10
Eggs—State	23	@	23
ALBANY.			
Wheat	1 37	@	1 37
Rye—State	1 00	@	1 00
Corn—Mixed	83	@	84
Barley—State	1 20	@	1 20
Oats—State	66	@	70
BUFFALO.			
Flour	6 25	@	7 50
Wheat—No. 2 Spring	1 12	@	1 12
Corn—Mixed	73	@	75
Oats	65	@	69
Rye	1 12	@	1 12
Barley	1 40	@	1 40
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Cotton—Low Middlings	15½	@	15½
Flour—Extra	8 15	@	8 25
Wheat—Red Western	1 31	@	1 31
Rye	1 00	@	1 00
Corn—Yellow	81	@	84
Oats—Mixed	59	@	60
Petroleum	08½	@	08¾
PHILADELPHIA.			
Flour—Pennsylvania Extra	5 75	@	6 25
Wheat—Western Red	1 28	@	1 32½
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